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"PHOSPHORUS-AND-NITROGEN-CONTAINING RESIN HARDENER AND A FLAME RETARDING RESIN COMPOSITION CONTAINING SAID HARDENER"

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement and Election of Species, a Request for Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$450.00 in the above-identified application.

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 29, 2005, Applicants wish to elect the claims of Group II (claims 3-7 and 10-15) and elect the species wherein  $R^1$  is  $C_{1-6}$  alkyl, wherein the epoxy resin is Glycidyl ethers of nitrogen-containing hetero rings, and wherein the hardening promoter is Imidazole compounds.

The election of the above species is made with the reservation that the species merely represent certain chosen embodiments. Their election should not in any sense be considered to reduce the scope of the claimed invention as represented by the pending claims.

Applicant respectfully requests that claims to the elected species be examined on the merits and, if found allowable, that the search be extended to the genus claims of the application, e.g., in claims 1 and 3-15.

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